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SENATOR HOAGLAND: What we have here, colleagues, is a bill that deals with motorcycle safety, a bill that deals with safety education programs, a bill that in some respects deals with records kept by the Department of Education relating to motorcycle safety education. This certainly is germane to that general issue. All this amendment says is that in addition to the facts that are presented in this chart that I'm showing you right now that I have passed out previously in other debates, the Legislature once a year shall receive information from the head of the State Patrol and the Director of the Office of Highway Safety, based on available information an estimate of how many fatalities could have been avoided if the cyclist or passenger had been wearing a helmet at the time of the accident. Now, if you'll look at LB 1004, it covers a whole variety of issues dealing with motorcycle training, dealing with statistics involving what kind of conduct on motorcycles is safe and unsafe. I think this clearly fits within the ambit of the bill. I think it's germane to the bill, germane to the committee amendments because the committee amendments amend most of the sections of the bill. I'd ask that the Chair be overruled on this issue. Thank you.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Thank you, Senator Hoagland. Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the body, I believe that Senator Smith and I would concur that the amendment could be germane to the bill. What we object to is that the amendments are not germane to the committee amendments and I think that a careful review of the proposed amendment by Senator Hoagland would reveal that you would have to concur with that and so, therefore, I ask the Chair be sustained.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Senator Chambers, please.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: (No response.)

SENATOR CARSTEN: Senator Hoagland, do you want to close on your challenge?

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Well, I think that Senator Schmit is conceding. I don't see how you distinguish between